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Letter dated 30 September 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to notify you of continued violations of the ceasefire resolution and the Tehran agreement concerning the area of separation between Iraq and Iran that were committed by Iran between 4 June and 20 August 2002, as shown in the list annexed hereto.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex to the letter dated 30 September 2002 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Iranian violations of the ceasefire resolution and the 1991 Tehran agreement, 4 June-20 August 2002

1. 4 June 2002

At 0945 hours an Iranian helicopter was seen flying over the Shiham area between coordinates 643633 and 64445635.

2. 10 June 2002

At 0230 hours Iraqi fishermen in boat No. 3645/Basrah were fishing in Iraqi territorial waters near the Karin area when they were intercepted by a number of Ashura-class craft. The fishermen were beaten while being held at gunpoint and their documentation was examined. The boat was taken to the Iranian side. Then, another Iraqi fishing boat was detained. Some of the Iraqi fishermen were released, namely Lazim Nayif Abd Allah, Ibrahim Abbas Murad and Muhammad Mahmud Ali. The boat in question was taken, together with its master, Basim Nayif Abd Allah, and the crewmen Husayn Ali Qunbur and Sa`id Sa`dun Ma`yuf.

3. 11 June 2002

At 0730 hours a helicopter was seen flying over the area between coordinates 0944 and the Faris outpost at coordinates 0250.

4. 13 June 2002

At 0930 hours an Iranian patrol fired on the citizen Husayn Ali Hanzal as he was fishing in the Shatt al-Arab near the tubular bridge. He was hit in the neck and died instantly.

5. 17 June 2002

The Iranians began mending the road between coordinates 674484 and 5662 using two loaders, one grader, one roller, one dump truck, one passenger vehicle and one tanker.

6. 20 June 2002

The Iranians fired on the Iraqi fisherman Muhannad Karim Husayn Ubayd Matir as he was fishing in the Shatt al-Arab. He died from a gunshot wound in the back of the head.

7. 20 June 2002

A helicopter with camouflage markings coming from the Iranian rear flew over Iran's Shayb border post at an altitude of 100 metres. It then returned to the Iranian rear.

8. 21 June 2002

At 1030 hours the Iranians fired 8 to 10 medium machine-gun rounds at Iraqi units.

9. 21 June 2002

At 1000 hours three Iranian military Land Cruiser vehicles and a red civilian vehicle were seen between the concrete tower and the area opposite Iraq's Darraji outpost. Some 30 soldiers alighted from them and proceeded to open fire. At 1400 hours the vehicles returned to the Iranian rear with the soldiers.

10. 21 June 2002

At 1400 hours the Iranians rotated the 10 or so other ranks at the metal tower opposite Iraq's Arafat outpost at coordinates 6864.

11. 23 June 2002

At 0840 hours a helicopter coming from the Iranian rear flew over the Sa`idiyah area at coordinates 7515. It then headed towards the Iranian rear.

12. 24 June 2002

At 1030 hours three Land Cruiser vehicles and one pick-up drew up at the observation tower near the new and old Khusrawi outposts. Fifteen persons wearing military dress and armed with light weapons alighted and proceeded to reconnoitre our units. They then returned to the Iranian rear.

13. 24 June 2002

At 1015 hours a helicopter coming from the direction of the Zayn al-Qaws foothills towards the greater Ak Dağ foothills was seen flying along the border strip.

14. 25 June 2002

At 1600 hours the Iranians released boat No. 4654/Basrah and its three crewmen.

15. 29 June 2002

At 0730 hours a white Iranian helicopter was seen in the area between the Tall outpost and the Jusur complex. It then returned to the Iranian rear.

16. 2 July 2002

At 1100 hours an Iranian helicopter landed in the area between the Jusur complex and the Tall outpost.

17. 2 July 2002

At 1100 hours an Iranian helicopter coming from the rear flew along Qurnah map grid easting 58. It then returned to the Iranian rear along map grid northing 67.

18. 3 July 2002

The Iranians began [work] at coordinates 9122. On 8 July 2002 the dismantling of the tower was completed and all of its contents were taken to the Iranian rear.

19. 5 July 2002

At 1100 hours a white helicopter flew over the area opposite the outpost at the Jusur complex. It then returned to the Iranian rear.

20. 6 July 2002

At 0630 hours a white helicopter flew over the area opposite the outpost at the Jusur complex. It then returned to the Iranian rear.

21. 8 July 2002

At 0430 hours an Iranian cabin cruiser abducted the citizen Hazim Abd al-Wahid after he had been shot in the leg while fishing in the Shatt al-Arab opposite the Sayhan area.

22. 11 July 2002

At 1000 hours the Iranians proceeded to build a two-metre-high concrete observation post in the area opposite the Hunayjirah outpost at coordinates 8608.

23. 13 July 2002

At 1700 hours an Iranian boat with five persons on board approached a point in the centre of the Shatt al-Arab at coordinates 610167 (map of Mina' al-Bakr). One of the persons proceeded to photograph the western shore of the Shatt al-Arab with a camera he had with him. They fired a number of rounds from the same spot.

24. 1-14 July 2002

The Iranians were working in the following areas: (a) the Iranian burial ground at coordinates 915800, with eight workmen; (b) at coordinates 9219, with one grader, one roller, two trucks and two loaders; (c) road mending between coordinates 574484 and 5662, with two loaders, two dump trucks, one grader, one roller, one tanker and one passenger vehicle.

25. 16 July 2002

At 1200 hours the Iranians installed pilings for the construction of a mooring at coordinates 283692. The engineering unit consisted of two graders, two loaders and a pick-up truck. At 1700 hours the work ended.

26. 16 July 2002

At 1750 hours the Iranians erected a 10-metre-high metal tower in Muhammarah port at coordinates 270703 (map of Saybah).

27. 16 July 2002

At 0940 hours two officers of the Khomeini Guard and three armed soldiers coming from the Iranian rear in a Land Cruiser pick-up truck proceeded to reconnoitre our units at the Khusrawi post. Fifteen minutes later they returned to the rear.

28. 17 July 2002

At 2300 hours the Iranian outpost opposite Iraq's Sayhah outpost fired four medium-weapons rounds, 20 light-weapons rounds and one tracer round towards the wadi to the right of Iraq's Sayhah outpost.

29. 19 July 2002

At 0900 hours a white helicopter was seen flying opposite the Tall outpost and the Jusur complex.

30. 20 July 2002

At 1200 hours a military helicopter coming from the Iranian rear landed at the Khusrawi complex. It then returned to the Iranian rear.

31. 24 July 2002

At 1100 hours the Iranians installed an 82-mm mortar at coordinates 7020 (map of Hawr al-Huwayzah). They proceeded to dig positions to the left of the Shayb outpost opposite the Fakkah road at coordinates 7222 (map of Hawr al-Huwayzah).

32. 27 July 2002

At 0800 hours the Iranians installed three SPG-9 guns mounted on a vehicle and pitched a tent inside Iranian territory. At 1900 hours a helicopter flew along the border strip and then returned to the Iranian rear.

33. 28 July 2002

At 0800 hours a helicopter was seen flying opposite the Mamik outpost at coordinates 8599174 and heading towards the border strip opposite the outpost at coordinates 894974. It then returned to the Iranian rear.

34. 28 July 2002

At 1400 hours the Iranians erected a cylindrical-shaped observation tower at coordinates 7521 in the area opposite the Jahfat al-Mawt outpost.

35. 28 July 2002

At 0930 hours an Iranian military helicopter landed in Mehran city. At 1200 hours it returned to the Iranian rear.

36. 29 July 2002

At 0600 hours Iraqi fishing boat No. 5643/Basrah, with its master, Jasim Ja`far Kazim, and 10 crewmen on board, and fishing boat No. 5591/Basrah, with its master, Isa Imran Isa, and eight crewmen on board, were intercepted and harassed by Iranian patrols in the Khawr al-Amayah area inside Iraqi territorial waters. They confiscated the boats' papers and the identity documents of the crewmen. The crewmen and the two boats were later released.

37. 29 July 2002

At 0815 hours a khaki-coloured helicopter coming from the Iranian rear flew over Iran's Shayb outpost at an altitude of 100 metres. It then headed towards Basitin.

38. 29 July 2002

At 0940 hours a helicopter coming from the Iranian rear flew in front of our units, circling from north to south. It then returned in the direction of the Iranian rear, five minutes after flying over the Iranian berm.

39. 29 July 2002

At 1455 hours a khaki-coloured Iranian helicopter was seen in Iran's Kasabah area opposite Faw city heading out to sea.

40. 29 July 2002

At 0920 hours an Iranian helicopter coming from the Iranian rear was seen flying at low altitude along the boundary line from north to south (Majnun al-Shamali). It then returned to the Iranian rear.

41. 2 August 2002

At 1400 hours a helicopter flew over the area opposite the Jusur complex for five minutes. It then returned to the Iranian rear.

42. 2 August 2002

At 1430 hours the Iranians fired eight light-weapons rounds at our units at the Shirhani complex.

43. 4 August 2002

At 0200 hours opposite the Iranian customs control point four armed men in a small boat robbed those on board Iraqi boat No. 4856/Basrah of 458,000 dinars.

44. 8 August 2002

At 1100 hours a wooden launch belonging to Iranian intelligence was seen approaching Iran's Kasabah area from the sea with five civilians on board. One of them was carrying field glasses and proceeded to reconnoitre our territory along the western shore of the Shatt al-Arab as far as Ra's al-Bishah, including the Iraqi customs post. It then headed back out to sea.

45. 9 August 2002

At 1815 hours two Land Cruiser vehicles were seen with four officers and 10 enlisted men at Iran's outpost opposite the Arafat outpost. They reconnoitred the area towards our national territory. At 1920 hours the vehicles and the men withdrew to the Iranian rear.

46. 9 August 2002

At 1900 hours a machine-gun on a large mount was seen being installed on the Iranian outpost opposite Iraq's Ta`an outpost.

47. 10-20 August 2002

The Iranians continued working at the following locations: (a) road mending between coordinates 574484 and 5662, with two dump trucks, two loaders, one grader, one roller, one passenger vehicle and one tanker; (b) the Iranian burial ground at coordinates 915800, with six workmen.

48. 14 August 2002

At 1100 hours a white helicopter landed opposite the Jusur outpost. After 15 minutes, it returned to the Iranian rear.

49. 15 August 2002

At 1110 hours an Iranian helicopter was seen flying over the border strip opposite the Zayn al-Qaws outpost at coordinates 5069. It then headed towards the Iranian rear.

50. 15 August 2002

At 0915 hours a military helicopter was seen coming from the Ak Dağ area in the Iranian rear and circling the mountain region. At 0920 hours it returned to the Iranian rear.

51. 17 August 2002

The Iranians erected electricity poles from the Shatit river to the border post opposite the Duwayb river and beyond the Iranian berm. The work stopped on 18 August 2002.

52. 18 August 2002

At 0700 hours four Iranian patrol boats, each carrying seven persons, four in civilian clothing and three in military uniform, were seen coming from Abadan city towards the Shatit river. At 1730 hours the boats returned towards Abadan.

53. 20 August 2002

At 0900 hours the Iranians brought up a load of bricks and set them down behind the berm opposite our units at coordinates 5749.